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I NEVER SHOULD
LET YOU TWO BE
PART OF THE
CONVOY!

I KNEW
I SHOULD'VE TRUSTED
MY GUT! DR. WILY'S
ESCAPED, AND IT'S
ALL YOUR
FAULT!

THAT'S
LUDICROUS!

I'M SORRY,
AGENT STERN!
I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
HAPPENED!

TIME KEEPS ON SLIPPING

PART TWO: UNRESOLVED ISSUES

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NO? SEE IF
THIS SOUNDS
FAMILIAR TO
YA.

LITTLE BOY
BLUE HERE
JOINS THE
POLICE ESCORT
AND THEN GETS
INTO A FLASHY
RAZZLE-DAZZLE
BATTLE WITH
THAT PILE OF
SCRAP OVER
THERE.

THEN, WHILE
EVERYONE'S DISTRACTED,
YOUR BUDDY, WILY,
ESCAPES SO THE TWO
OF YOU CAN START
ANOTHER ROBOT
REVOLUTION!



THE ATTACK WAS
OBVIOUSLY A
DISTRACTION, BUT
MEGA MAN AND I
HAD NOTHING TO
DO WITH IT!



THAT'S ENOUGH!
THERE'S NO EVIDENCE
ON HAND TO VERIFY
YOUR ALIBI...

...OR
ANYONE'S
GUILT.



THE IMPORTANT
THING RIGHT NOW
IS THAT DR. WILY
IS ON THE LOOSE.
WE NEED TO CATCH
HIM BEFORE HE
CAUSES TROUBLE!





I'LL HELP!
I'LL MAKE
UP FOR NOT
STOPPING
HIM!

NOT A
CHANCE!
THIS'LL BE
HANDLED BY
THE *REAL*
AUTHORITIES
WITH *REAL*
MAN-POWER,
CAPEESH?

Y-YES,
SIR...



AGENTS?

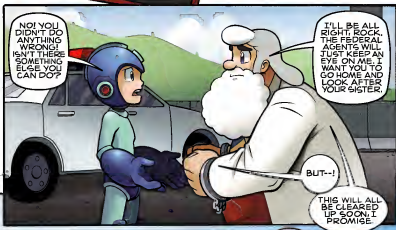
YES, DOCTOR
LIGHT?

IF IT
WILL HELP
IN ANY
WAY...



...I WILL
TURN MY-
SELF OVER
TO YOUR
CUSTODY,
BY REMOV-
ING MYSELF
FROM THE
SITUATION...

...I WILL
PROVE TO
YOU THAT
NEITHER I
NOR MEGA
MAN WERE
INVOLVED
IN WILY'S
ESCAPE.





Thomas,
I have taken your
precious little Robot
Roll!

If you ever want to
see her again in one
piece, you won't contact
the authorities and
you won't send that
lab robot you strapped
a cannon to after me!
Once I've escaped, I'll
contact you.

This is your only warning!
A.W.W.



If you ever want to see her again in one piece, you won't contact the authorities and don't send that



ELSEWHERE...

HMPH. I SUPPOSE THIS WILL SERVE MY PURPOSES. I SEE YOU'VE GATHERED THE PROPER TOOLS, PARTS, EQUIPMENT...

YOUR CLOTHES, MASTER.

AH! FINALLY, SOMETHING BEFITTING MY SCIENTIFIC GENIUS!

THIS WILL DO BUT THE FACILITY IS A MESS!

I APOLOGIZE, SIR. IF I HAD BEEN ABLE TO KEEP TO MY SCHEDULE, EVERYTHING WOULD HAVE BEEN COMPLETED TO YOUR SPECIFICATIONS.

I WAS DELAYED BY--

WADDUP?! OIL MAN IN THE HOUSE WITH HIS MISSION ACCOMPLISHED.

--OIL MAN.



CHECK IT!

DOCTOR WILY?!

AH, MAN!
YOU'VE--

--ARRIVED
LATE, AS
USUAL.



BUT I SUCCEEDED,
DIDN'T I? AND YOU
DID, TOO, 'CAUSE
BIG MAN WILY'S HERE!
SO IT'S ALL GOOD,
BABY!

I'VE HAD TO REVISE MY
METICULOUS SCHEDULE
MULTIPLE TIMES TO
ALLOW FOR THE MARGIN OF
ERROR CREATED BY YOUR--



RRRRRRING!

MAN,
YOU'RE WOUND
TOO TIGHT.
RELAX, BEFORE
YOU BLOW A
CIRCUIT.



YOU ARROGANT,
IRRESPONSIBLE--!

YOU WANT
ME TO CLEAN
YOUR CLOCK?

LET'S
GO,
BABY.



ENOUGH!

RRRRRING!



YOU MADE A BIG MISTAKE KIDNAPING ME! WHEN DR. LIGHT AND ROCK FIND OUT, YOU'LL BE IN BIG TROUBLE!



HEH HEH HEH!

THOSE TWO ARE STILL PROBABLY BEING GRILLED BY THE POLICE...

...OVER THE MYSTERIOUS NATURE OF MY ESCAPE.



AND WHEN THEY *DO* FIND MY NOTE, THEY'LL KNOW BETTER THAN TO OPPOSE ME... *OR ELSE!*

S-SO I'M A HOSTAGE?

MM-HMM!



WELL? WHAT
ARE YOU
WAITING FOR?
GET TO WORK ON
MY ESCAPE
SHUTTLE!

AT
ONCE!

WORD.



I DON'T UNDER-
STAND, DOCTOR
LIGHT BUILT
ONLY SIX ROBOT
MASTERS,
WHERE DID
THESE TWO
COME FROM?



TIME MAN AND OIL MAN HOLD
HIGHLY EXPERIMENTAL MACHINERY
AND ADVANCED A.I. ALGORITHMS.

THEY WERE
RATHER POWERED-
UP COMPARED
TO THE OTHER
SIX, AND
THOMAS FELT
THEY WEREN'T
READY FOR
PRESENTATION.



SO I WORKED ON
THEM BEHIND HIS
BACK, NOW THEY'RE
COMPLETE---AND
COMPLETELY
LOYAL TO ME!
HA HA HA HA HA!

DOWNTOWN...

BATTER
UP!

BOOM!

CRACK

BLAM

GUYS!
WE'VE GOT
A BIG
PROBLEM!



ONE EXPLANATION
LATER...

...AND DR. LIGHT IS IN
FEDERAL CUSTODY. I
DON'T KNOW IF I CAN STOP
DR. WILY AND KEEP ROLL
FROM GETTING HURT AT THE
SAME TIME. I DON'T KNOW
WHAT TO DO!

HMM...

I THINK WILY
IS BLUFFING.
ROLL IS TOO
IMPORTANT A
HOSTAGE FOR
HIM TO JUST
DESTROY HER.
HE'D HAVE
NOTHING TO
BARGAIN WITH
THEY NEED TO
BE FOUND...

...AND YOU'RE
RIGHT IN THAT
YOU SHOULDN'T
TRY TO DO
THIS ALONE.

BUT WE
CAN'T JUST
ABANDON
THE CLEAN-
UP EFFORT.

YEAH, WE'LL
CRUSH THE
TINY WILY
MAN!

AGREED. WE
ARE BOUND BY
OUR DUTY.

THEN LET'S SPLIT
INTO TEAMS SO WE
CAN DO BOTH.

I'LL GO WITH
MR. ROCK AND
HELP SEARCH!

ME, TOO!
I WON'T LET
WILY GET AWAY
WITH KIDNAP-
PING POOR
ROLL!

THANKS,
GUYS!

SHORTLY...



FIRE MAN SAYS
CRIMINALS RETURN
TO THE SCENE
OF THE CRIME,
SO I GUESS WE
SHOULD START
LOOKING HERE.



THIS PLACE GIVES
ME THE CHILLS,
AND THAT'S WITH
ANTIFREEZE IN
MY SYSTEM.



YEAH,
THIS PLACE
IS A WHOLE
LOT CREEPIER
WHEN YOU'RE
NOT PRO-
GRAMMED TO
DEFEND IT.



IT'LL BE
ALL RIGHT.

MOST OF THE ENEMY
ROBOTS SHOULD BE
GONE NOW, AND BESIDES,
I GOT THROUGH HERE
ALL ON MY OWN.



WITH THE
THREE OF US,
SEARCHING
THIS PLACE
SHOULD BE
EASY!





SPEAK FOR YOURSELVES!

YEAH! WE HAD A LOT OF FUN IN HERE.

HEY! THE COPY ROBOT'S ROOM!

THE COPY ROBOT WAS CREEPY. IT DID EVERYTHING LIKE I WOULD, AND MATCHED ME SHOT-FOR-SHOT.*



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YEAH, AND THEN WE TRASHED IT. LOOK! I FOUND THE HELMET!

OK MAN! WE TOTALLY TORE IT APART!



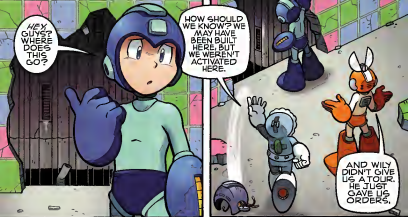
I WANT TO WEAR THE HELMET! IS THE HEAD LYING AROUND SOMEWHERE?

I FOUND IT FIRST! LET ME WEAR IT!



HEY...

BESIDES, YOUR STUPID CUTTER IS IN THE WAY!



CLANG!

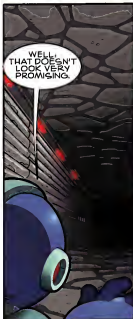
DOCTOR WILY HAS GOT TO BE HIDING SOMETHING DOWN HERE.

MAYBE IT'S NOT TOO IMPORTANT. THE GUARD ROBOTS ARE ALL--

--IN SLEEP-MODE. UH-OH.

AAAAAH!

AAAAAH!







GET
ME UP
FRONT! I
HAVE A
PLAN!



WHAT WAS THAT?!

I WAS TRYING TO SEAL OFF THE WATER!

WELL, YOU FAILED! MISERABLY!



WELL, MAYBE YOU SHOULD'VE TRIED TO CUT THE WATER! I'M SURE *THAT* WOULD'VE WORKED!

HEY... UH... EITHER OF YOU KNOW WHAT *THAT* IS?

BECAUSE
IT DOESN'T
LOOK VERY
FRIENDLY.

OUR HEROES DIVIDED AND IN PERIL!
DOCTOR WILY ON THE LOOSE!
THINGS KEEP GOING FROM BAD TO WORSE!
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It's TIME again (get it?) to crack open the ol' mail bag and read what you guys and gals out there are saying about "Mega Man"! Take it away!

Dear Mega-Mail,
I just wanted to commend your work with capturing the blue bomber in my eyes as an accurate, successful comic adaptation.

It's what we were hoping to do! Glad you're enjoying!

I feel like Mega Man has been given a second chance to showcase his adventures. I am a die hard fan and am very critical when it comes to the story so I will be looking forward to further work.

Hey, we can all be critical from time to time - that's what the internet is for!

I am myself an illustrator and am venturing into creating my own comic series and I wanted to say that your work has inspired me to push my work further.

Awesome! Keep at it and make sure you send us some fan art to put in the book!

Let's cross our fingers we see some Mega Man X!

**Andrew V.
from NEW YORK**

Thanks for writing in, Andrew! That's two requests for Mega Man X from this month and last month! Anyone else?

Dear Mega-Mail,
This is perhaps the greatest comic book I've ever read! I actually found this series by accident and nearly had a heart attack!

When I heard you could subscribe to get monthly issues, I did right away! Thank you, Spaz, Gary, John, Matt and everyone else who made this possible! This is now the highlight of my month!

**Sincerely,
Robert O.
sent to megaman@archiecomics.com**

Wow! To coin a phrase - 'Nuff said!

Dear Mega-Mail,
My son, Nolan, is 4 and his favorite comic book is Mega Man. He has been exposed to mostly DC comics as I freelance for them. He saw an ad in tiny titans and Mega Man has taken over as his favorite. I will be picking up #5 for him this week. He also picked up his first Archie comic and enjoys it. His one request is that Proto Man appear in the Mega Man stories soon. Thanks for the excellent kid-friendly material to get my son started out as a comic book reader!

**Jack and Nolan P.
sent to megaman@archiecomics.com**

You win my esteemed "favorite-letter-of-the-month" award! Always nice to hear from both old and new fans of the blue bomber alike! As for Proto Man, keep your eyes peeled, when he debuts it's gonna rock Mega Man's world!

Dear Mega-Mail,
I've been a Mega Man fan since I was in 3rd grade (I'm turning 30 this year so yeah... long time fan) and I just want to say thank you for doing such a wonderful

job with one of my favorite heroes of all time.

Twos our pleasure! We're all fans of Mega Man, too and are very pleased that other longtime fans seem to think we're doing the story justice!

The comics are beautifully illustrated and the story is great. I just read issue 5 today and love where this story arc is headed. I also liked Dr. Light's "X-factor" mention when he was talking about creating a robot with free will. Nice little nod to X there.

Good catch!

Speaking of X, if you're ever in the mood to branch out in the Mega-verse I would love, more than anything, to see your team take on Mega Man X. As I said above, Mega Man is ONE of my favorite heroes, my all time favorite is Zero from the Mega Man X series. It would just make my day to see a Mega Man X series one day.

That's three, THREE Mega Man X requests ah ah ah "kra-kroom"

Just a suggestion :)
Keep up the great work and thanks again!!

**Angie
sent to megaman@archiecomics.com**

Thanks for reading, Angie! We hope you dig what we've got in store for you through this arc and beyond!

Well, that's it for this month's letters - keep writing in and sending your fan art! We want to hear from YOU!

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